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Phillis Johnson Ball
SEA Project Manager
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street N.W.
Washington DC 20423-0001

RE: STB Finance Docket No. 34075 - Environmental Comments
*Six County Association of Governments - Construction and Operation Exemption -
Rail Line between Levan and Salina, Utah*

Dear Mrs. Johnson-Ball:

I have lived and worked in Richfield, Sevier County, Utah for most of my life. I was happy to hear about the proposed new rail line to be located in Central, Utah. I understand that the Surface Transportation Board is conducting an environmental review for the proposed construction of this new rail line.

If this project would move forward it could mean the possibility of more jobs in our area. Hopefully, it would help facilitate the expansion of current businesses and encourage more business and industry to relocate to our area. It would definitely decrease the amount of coal truck traffic and wear and tear on our local roads and highways.

I also feel that the preferred route alignment will minimize the impact to our communities and farmlands. The Six County Association of Governments has reached out to the communities involved and researched the area to come up with this route and I concur with the choice and appreciate their efforts.

Please consider this a vote of support for this much needed project. I implore the Board to complete their review and make a final decision as quickly as possible so this project can proceed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Wayne Hatch", written over a horizontal line.

Wayne Hatch